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ALMANAC FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1876.

Being a Leap Year of 366 Days, and Great Centennial Independence.

		SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC.	PLANETS AND ASPECTS.
New Moon. First Quarter. Full Moon. Last Quarter.	Ram. Bull. Twins. Cancer.	Lion. Virgin. Balance. Scorpion. Bowmaa. Goat. Waterman. Fishes.	b Saturn. S Wenus. Mercury. Moon. Sun. Herschel.

onjunction, or planets in the same longitude. ⊕ Sexule, when they are 60 degrees apart.

Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant. △ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant. 8 Opposition, when they are 180 degrees distant.

The Latin Names of the Signs of the Zodiac are:

Aries (Ram), Taurus (Bull), Gemini (Twins), Cancer (Crab), Leo (Lion), Virgo (Virgin), Libra (Balance), Scorpio (Scorpion), Sagittarius (Bowman), Capricornus (Goat), Aquarius (Waterman), Pisces (Fishes).

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letters, B. A. Golden Number, 15. Epact, 4. Solar Cycle, 9. Roman Indiction, 4. Julian Period, 6589.

The Jewish Era commences with their year 5637, September 19th, 1876. The Mohammedan Era commences with their year 1293, January 28th, 1876.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 13. Quinquagesima Sunday, Feb. 27. Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 29. Ash Wednesday, March 1.

Palm Sunday, April 9. Easter Sunday, April 16. [25. Ascension or Holy Thursday, May Whit Sunday, June 4.

Trinity Sunday, June 11. Corpus Christi, June 15. First Sunday in Advent, Dec. 3. Sundays after Trinity are 24.

THE EMBER DAYS.

March 8.

June 7.

September 20.

December 20.

THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox, O enters φ March 20th, 1 o'clock, 20 min. Morning. Summer Solstice, 25 June 20th, 10 18 Evening. Autumnal Equinox, "
Winter Solstice." ≏ Sept. 22d, 12 " 10 ⅓ Dec. 21st, 6 " 22 66 Afternoon. Winter Solstice, 66 3 Morning. (3) Mars is called the Governing Planet.

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1876.

There will be four Eclipses, two of the Sun, and two of There will be four Echipses, two of the Sun, and two of the Moon. The First is a Partial Eclipse of the Moon, March 10th, I o'clock 20 min. in the morning, visible.

Begins 12 o'clock 22 min. Morning.

Middle 1 " 23 " Morning.

Ends 2 " 22 " Morning.

The Moon will be Eclipse 2 " Digital two of the Sun, and two or of the Moon.

Ends 2 " 22 " Morning.

Duration 2 hours. The Moon will be Eclipsed over 3 Digits on the Southern Part.

The second is an Annular Eclipse of the Sun, Mar. 25th, 4 o'clock 50 min. in the afternoon; visible here as a Partial Begins 2 o'clock 56 min. Afternoon. Middle 4 " 52 " Afternoon. Ends 5 " 33 " Evening.

Ends 5 " 33 " Evening.

Duration 1 hour 37 min. The Sun will be Eclipsed 3\frac{1}{3}

Digits on the Northern Part.

The third is a Partial Eclipse of the Moon, Sept. 3d,

4 o'clock 21 min. in the afternoon, therefore invisible here.

The fourth is a Total Eclipse of the Sun, Sept. 17th,
5 o'clock 19 min. in the evening. Invisible in the United States; visible in the Northern and Southern Pacific Ocean, and Australia.

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First Quarter, 4th day, 10 o'clock, 22 min. Forenoon.
Full Moon, 11th " 1 " 21 " Morning.
Last Quarter, 18th " 3 " 48 " Morning.
New Moon, 26th " 8 " 40 " Morning.

1, 2, 3, variable; 4, 5, cloudy; 6, 7, fair; 8, 9, 10, snow; 11, 12, 13, cold; 14, 15, variable; 16, 17, snow; 18, 19, 20, 21, cold; 22, 23, 24, cloudy, with snow; 25, 26, coldest days; 27, 28, snow; 29, 30, 31, variable.



EPIPHANY.

'God sent a bright and shining star To guide the wise men from afar."

Epiphany comes always on the sixth day of January, and celebrates the showing of the infant Saviour to the Gentiles.

"Eastern sages at His cradle Make oblations rich and rare; See them give in deep devotion,

Sacred gifts of mystic meaning! Incense doth their God disclose; Gold the King of kings proclaimeth; Gold and frankincense and myrrh. Myrrh His sepulchre foreshows."

EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

This list contains only such items as are of general interest, and follow, in the main, a chronological order, running from July 1st, 1874, to July 1st, 1875.

1.) Zion Reformed Church of Hagerstown, Md., celebrated its Centennial.

2.) Westmoreland Classis erected a monument over the grave of the pioneer, Rev. John W. Weber.

3.) The Board of Missions received a bequest of \$3,300 for missions in the west, from Mrs. Elizabeth Lock.

4.) The German Maryland Classis was organized, June 16th, 1874.

5.) San Francisco Classis was organized,

Sept. 10th, 1874.
6.) The first Reformed Church organized in Oregon by Rev. John Gantenbein, in Advent, 1874.

7.) Col. B. Wiestling donated \$2000 to

Mercersburg College.

8.) A Union Conference with the Reformed (Dutch) Church in America, held in Philadelphia, Nov. 1874.

9.) The Mercersburg Review passed from the Board of Publication into private hands,

January 1st, 1875.
10.) The Reformed Church Messenger was reduced from sixteen pages to four.

11.) A Sunday-school department opened in the Guardian.

12.) Lesson Papers on the Gospels pub-

lished for our Sunday-schools.

13.) "Hymns for the Reformed Church" approved by the Eastern Synod, and introduced into the churches.

14) "Our Church Paper" changed its name to "The Reformed Era."

15.) The Eastern German Synod organized in Philadelphia, January, 1875.

16.) "Seeking and Finding" published by the Publication Board.

17.) The Semi-centennial of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, celebrated in March, 1875, and the "Semi-centennial Register" issued.

18.) The Audenried Professorship of History and Archæology, in Franklin and Marshall College, filled by the election, and acceptance, of Rev. Jos. H. Dubbs.

19.) Cincinnati Classis organized, March, 1875, in the Ohio Synod.

20.) A German edition of Bausman's "Sinai and Zion" issued.

21.) The General Synod held its fifth triennial sessions, in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

22.) \$1000 bequeathed by Miss Maria Wanner. of Reading, Pa., to the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa.

23.) The "Reformed Kirchenzeitung," of Philadelphia, Pa., united with "Der Evangelist" of Cleveland, Ohio.

24.) "College Times" issued at Tiffin, Ohio, for Heidelberg College.

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Weeks and Days. Daily Bible Moon's Moon's Phases, Aspects S. Sun Sun Water Phila.
Tuesday Wednesday 2 Candle Mass Thursday Saturday Thursday Saturday
6] 5th Sunday after Epiphany, Matth. 13: 24-30; Col. 3: 12-17. Day's Length, 10 hours, 12 min.
Sunday Monday 6 Amandus 7 George Wagner 7 George Wagner 8 Maria Andrea 9 John Hooper Thursday Friday Saturday Matt. 8: 1-17 8: 11: 12: 12: 13: 18 5 sets 9 16 4 18 5 sets 9 16 146 545 6 10 35 14 6 535 7 11 33 14 6 515 9 12 30 Matt. 8: 1-17 6 23 7 15: 12: 12: 13: 13: 14: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15
7] Septuagesima Sunday, Matth. 20: 1-16; 1 Cor. 9: 24-27-10: 1-5. Day's Length, 10 h. 30 m.
Sunday 13 C. F. Schwartz Luke 3: 9 27 17 5 € ⊙ Inferior 146 445 16 5 22 Monday 14 Brun of Querfurt " 4: 10 29 29 Orion south 7 55 14 6 445 16 5 22 Tuesday 16 Matth. Desübas " 6: 1-19 " 6: 20-49 11 32 12 18 Thursday 17 Pat. Hamilton " 6: 20-49 12 18 16 D in apo. ¼ ris. 12 29 14 6 44 5 16 5 22 Saturday 19 Mesrob " 7: 21 10 © 28 22 0 0 orion south 7 55 14 6 44 5 16 5 22 11 32 11 32 12 18 12 18 12 18 14 6 41 5 19 7 34 1 1 7 2 10 © 28 2 20 0 orion south 7 55 14 6 44 5 16 5 22 14 6 44 5 16 5 22 14 6 44 5 16 5 22 1 1 32 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 2 18 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 3 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22 1 4 6 44 5 5 16 5 22
8] Sexagesima Sunday, Luke 8: 4-15; 2 Cor. 11: 19-33-12: 1-9. Day's Length, 10 hours, 46 min.
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9] Quinquagesima Sunday, Luke 18: 31-43; 1 Cor. 13: 1-13. Day's Length, 11 hours, 4 min.
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The Start of the Marning Star to the end of the year.

- (?) Venus is Evening Star till the 14th of July; then Morning Star to the end of the year.
- (b) Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun, the 17th of this Month, and cannot be seen.

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter, 2d day, 8 o'clock, 52 min. Evening.
Full Moon, 9th "12" 45 " Afternoon.
Last Quarter, 16th "11" 51 " Evening.
New Moon, 25th "1" 18" Morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, N. W. cold; 4, 5, snow; 6, 7, 8, clear and cold; 9, 10, snow; 11, 12, rain and snow; 13, 14, cold; 15, 16, 17, 18, N. W. cold; 19, 20, cloudy; 21, 22, 23, stormy; 24, 25, fair; 16, 27, rain; 28, 29, N. W. cold.

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FEBRUARY.

In an almanac published at Cambridge, England, 1636, the following appears:

"April, June, and September,
Thirty days have, as November:
Each month else doth never vary
From thirty-one, save February;
Which twenty-eight doth still confine,
Save on leap year, then twenty-nine."

And in Grafton's Abridgement of the Chronicles of Englande, dated 1570, are the following lines:

"Thirty dayes hath November, April, June, and September; February hath xxviij alone, And all the rest haue xxxi."

READ THEM.

Fail not to read the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, this Centennial year. Thousands of our people have never read them.

In fact many have never read the Constitution of the Reformed Church. Read this too, this year.

THE GERMAN WATCHMAN'S SONG.

FROM THE GERMAN.

Among the watchmen in Germany a singular custom prevails of chanting devotional hymns, as well as songs of national or amusing character, during the night, the several stanzas being chanted as the hours of the night are announced.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock The hour of eight, good sirs, has struck. Eight souls alone from death were kept When God the earth with deluge swept.

Unless the Lord to guard us deign, Man wakes and watches all in vain. Lord! through Thine all-prevailing might, Do Thou vouchsafe us a good night!

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of nine, good sirs, has struck.
Nine lepers cleansed returned not;
Be not thy blessings, man, forgot!—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of ten, good sirs, has struck.
Ten precepts show God's holy will;
O, may we prove obedient still!—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of eleven, good sirs, has struck.
Eleven apostles remained true;
May we be like that faithful few!—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of twelve, good sirs, has struck.
Twelve is of Time the boundary;
Man, think upon Eternity!—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of one, good sirs, has struck.
One God alone reigns over all;
Naught can without His will befall.—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of two, good sirs, has struck.
Two ways to walk has man been given;
Teachme the right, the path to heaven.—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock
The hour of three, good sirs, has struck.
God three in one, exalted most,
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.—Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing!—our village clock The hour of four, good sirs, has struck. Four seasons crown the farmer's care; Thy heart with equal toil prepare!

Up, up!—awake, nor slumber on!
The morn approaches, night is gone!
Thank God, who, by His power and might,
Has watched and kept us through the night.

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Wednesday 1 Ash Wednesday Luke 16: 11 11 11 22 22
10] 1st Sunday in Lent, Matth. 4: 1-11; 2 Cor. 6: 1-10. Day's Length, 11 hours, 20 min.
Sunday Monday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday 5 Thomas Aquinas (19:29-20:1-18) (19:29-20:1-18) (20:19-21:1-4) (20:1
11] 2d Sunday in Lent, Matth. 15: 21-28; 1 Thess. 4: 18. Day's Length, 11 hours, 38 min.
Sunday Monday 12 Greg. the Great Mark 10:32-52 8 24 4 2 sets 9 10 10 6 11 5 49 3 16 Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday 15 Thos. Cranmer Heribert " 13: 11 33 13 37 14 1 2 sets 9 10 10 6 10 5 50 4 6 4 6 9 6 85 52 4 42 Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday 16 Heribert " 14: 1-54 " 13: 11 33 11 34 11 33
12] 3d Sunday in Lent, Luke 11: 14-28; Eph. 5: 1-9. Day's Length, 11 hours, 56 min.
Sunday 19 Mary & Martha Matth. 20: 17-33. 2 11
13] 4th Sunday in Lent, John 6: 1-14; Gal. iv. 21-31. Day's Length, 12 hours, 16 min.
Sunday 26 Lindger Matth. 26: 1-13 7 20 15 Sirius sets 11 18 65 526 8 2 14 Monday 27 Rupertus " 26: 14-35 8 38 7 sets 10 55 65 516 9 2 56 Tuesday 29 Eustatius " 26: 57; 27:1-2 10 59 1 6 9 5. 8 45 55 48 6 12 4 32 Thursday 30 John Heermann " 27: 3-31 " 27: 3-31 15 9
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MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter, 3d day, 4 o'clock, 45 min. Morning.
Full Moon, 10th " 1 " 10 " Morning.
Last Quarter, 17th " 8 " 22 " Evening.
New Moon, 25th " 8 " 10 " Afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, clear, cold; 3, 4, snow; 5, 6, 7, 8, N. W. cold; 9, 10, cloudy; 11, 12, rain and snow; 13, 14, 15, N. W. cold; 16, 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, cloudy; 21, 22, rain; 23, 24, fair; 25, 26, 27, stormy, rainy; 28, 29, 30, 31, fair.

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WASHINGTON'S INAUGURATION.

It took place, not on the 4th of March, but on the 30th of April, 1789. New York was the seat of Government at that time, and, of course, the inauguration took place there. An old paper says:

"The oath of office was administered upon the terrace in front of the Ancient City Hall at the head of Broad Street, by Chancellor Livingston, dressed in a

full suit of black. The Secretary of the Senate held the Bible upon a rich cushion of crimson velvet. The man on whom all eyes were fixed, stretched forth his hand with simplicity and dignity. The oath was administered. The Bible was raised, and his head bowed upon it to kiss the sacred volume.

The Chancellor then proclaimed that it was done, in a full, distinct voice, and in the following words: "Long live George Washington, President of

the United States!"

The silence of thousands was at an end—the air was rent with acclamations, bursting from the hearts and tongues of men who felt that the happiness of themselves, their posterity, and their country, was secure.

From the Hall, the President, Vice-President, the members of both houses of Congress, and a large concourse of people, proceeded to Trinity Church, where the august ceremonies of the day were closed by solemn religious services, con-

ducted by Bishop Provost."

Times and men have changed. Instead of "solemn religious services," our Presidential inaugurations are now closed with a grand ball! That man would be laughed at, who to-day would propose the old way. But is it not far better, and more becoming than the new?



THE CAPITOL OF THE COUNTRY.

The Colonial Congress met in Philadelphia up to the year 1784, when it removed to New York, where it remained for six years. Then again it met in Philadelphia from 1790 to 1800, when Washington, D. C., became the fixed seat of Government. The place was then a wilderness.

THE FOURTH OF MARCH.

"Some think that the President of the United States is inaugurated on the Fourth of March because it never falls on Sunday in inauguration year. But this is a mistake. Inauguration Day fell on Sunday in 1821 and 1849, and it will again fall on Sunday in 1877, 1917, 1945, 1973, 2001, &c. It occurs at regular intervals of 28 years, except when pass-

ing a centennial year which is no Leap year, when the interval is 40 years. It is equally true of any other day in March."

BROTHER JONATHAN.

The term Brother Jonathan, as applied to the United States, originated in a playful remark of

Washington. The incident is this:
When General Washington, after being appointed commander of the army of the Revolutionary War, went to Massachusetts to organize it, he found a great want of ammunition and other means of defence, and on one occasion it seemed that no means could be devised for the necessary safety. Jonathan Trumbull, the elder, was then governor of the State of Connecticut, and the general, placing the greatest reliance on his excellency's judgment, remarked, "We must consult Brother Jonathan on the subject."

The general did so, and the governor was successful in supplying many of the wants of the army; and thenceforward, when difficulties arose, and the army was spread over the country, it became a by-phrase, "We must consult Brother Jonathan;" and the name has now become a designation for the whole country, as "John Bull"

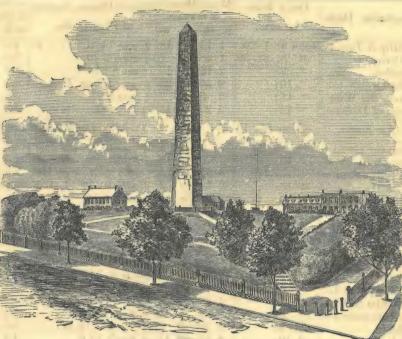
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Sword and great agreement

This fine granite monument, 221 feet high, is seen from all directions as you approach Boston. It commemorates the noted battle fought there June 17, 1775.

The corner stone was laid in 1825, and the work was finished in 1842. On both these occasions Daniel Webster delivered the oration.

The hill is surrounded by an iron



BUNKER HILL MONUMENT.

"THE GROUND IS HOLY WHERE THEY FOUGHT, AND HOLY WHERE THEY FELL."

fence. Going up the gravel walk, you enter the Monument through an iron gate, pay your fee of fifteen cents. and begin the weary task of ascending the winding stairs within. After a tiresome journey you reach the top, and have a grand view of the whole country all around as far as the eye can reach, which richly repays all your weariness.

AT CHURCH ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

"The first churches were built of unhewn logs, without any plastering, sometimes without any floor, and always without fire. In the coldest season of the year the minister had to preach, and the people to hear, with their overcoats buttoned up to the chin, and seldom was the sermon less than an hour and a half long, and often much longer. Instead of the cushioned pews of these days, slab-stools without any support to the back were the only sitting accommodations."

So writes an old Presbyterian minister; and the same is true of our Church. Meditate upon this, you who so poorly appreciate the comforts of your day.

CROWDED OUT.

To make room for Centennial articles and items, we this year make little or no reference to the festivals of the Church Year.

SAD FIGURES.

The Northern Christian Advocate, an official organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in giving a sketch of fourteen years' revival work, says:

"In the fourteen years the whole Church reported 2,072,686 probationers; these made 509, 316 members, being about twenty-two in one hundred! i. e., of 2,072,686, (only) 509,316 were in the Church at the end of one year, and 1,587,-370 lost, more than the whole number of members in the Church in 1872, i.e., in fourteen years the Methodist Episcopal Church lost more converts than would make another Church equal in numbers to herself, with several hundred thousand to spare! If this is not spiritual prodigality, in labor and souls, we know not what could be."

This they say of themselves, but we are allowed to think about it, and compare it with our own safer catechetical system.

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22] 6th Sunday after Easter, John 15: 26-16: 1; 1 Pet. 4: 7-11. Day's Length, 14 hours, 34 min.
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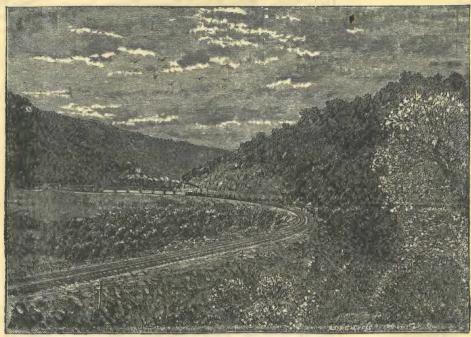
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MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 8th day 4 o'clock, 50 min. Morning.
Last Quarter, 16th "8" 24" Morning.
New Moon, 23d "10" 23" Forenoon.
First Quarter, 30th "12" 46" Morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, clear; 3, 4, 5, fair; 6, 7, 8, rain; 9, 10, 11, fair; 12, 13, variable; 14, 15, warm; 16, thunder showers; 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, 21, showers; 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, thunder; 26, 27, cloudy; 28, 29, 30, 31, clear, warm.



HORSE SHOE BEND, NEAR ALTOONA, PA.

AN EARNEST ADDRESS.

In the old Provisional Liturgy of 1857 is found the following address to the congregation, in regard to its relations to those just confirmed. It is not found in the Order of Worship, but deserves to be kept before our people in this present form:

DEARLY BELOVED IN THE LORD: Having admitted these persons to the full Communion of the Church, we now commend them to your Christian sympathy and regard, and ask for them your intercession at the throne of mercy, that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and continue faithful in his service unto death.

Bear in mind that they are members with you of the same body of Christ, and that all the members are bound to have the same care one for another; so that if one member suffer, all the members should suffer with it, and if one member be honored, all the members should rejoice with it.

Take heed that ye offend not any one of these

disciples, either by error in doctrine or misconduct in life. Remember the awful warning of the Lord Jesus: Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a mill-stone were hanged about his neck, and that he were cast into the depth of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offences; for it must needs be that offences come, but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

Ye that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please yourselves. Let every one please his neighbor for his good to edification. For even Christ pleased not himself, and came not to be ministered unto but to minister

and to give his life a ransom for many,

Let us provoke one another to love and to every good work; striving together against all sin, and giving all diligence to make our calling and election sure; so that having fought the good fight of faith, we may together win the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give unto all them that love his appearing. Amen.

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MOON'S PHASES.

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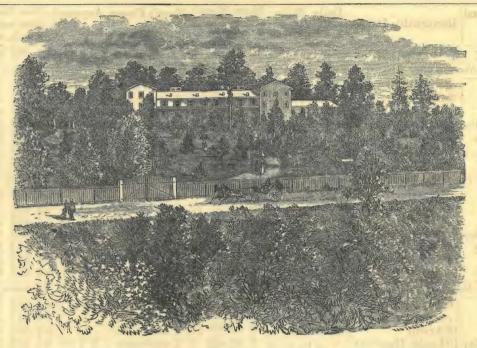
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 First Quarter,
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 Forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, variable; 3, 4, cloudy; 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, 9, variable; 10, thunder showers; 11, 12, 13, 14, fair; 15, 16, cloudy; 17, 18, 19, showers; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, cloudy; 27, 28, 29, warm; 30, cloudy.

WE MANUFACTURE THE LARGEST LINE OF "BLANK BOOKS" IN THE CITY.



CRESSON, PA.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

1.) What was it about? Some say unjust taxation was the cause.

England, from 1754-62, had an expensive war with France in regard to Canada, which so increased its national debt as to make additional taxation necessary.

The English government turned to the American Colonies, and tried to force upon them the noted "Stamp Act," which required all legal and business documents to be stamped, that is, a duty paid on them in order to be binding, besides many other unfair demands.

This the Colonies stoutly resisted, because it was taxation without representation. The English tried to force them to obedience. This brought on the war which began at Lexington, Mass., April 19, 1775. The Colonies declared themselves free and independent of the mother country on,

THE FOURTH OF JULY, 1776.

This, however, was not the main cause, but rather only the incidental occasion, of the Declaration of Independence.

Not only were many other wrongs done to the Colonies by England, as you may learn from the facts recited in the Declaration itself; but also, in the very nature of things, it was not possible that a strong, growing, progressive country like America could long be governed by an old country like England, so different in many things, and separated by three thousand miles of Ocean. The independence of the Colonies was simply a historical necessity.

- 2.) How long did the war last? From the battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775, to the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, October 19, 1781, that is, just six years and six months.
- 3.) How many battles were fought? Not many great battles; but counting also the skirmishes and small conflicts, there were fifty-four.

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(5) Venus is inferior conjunction below the Sun the 14th of this month, passes from Evening Star to Morning Star.

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 6th, 10 o'clock, 35 min. Forenoon.

Last Quarter, 14th, 8 " 53 " Morning.

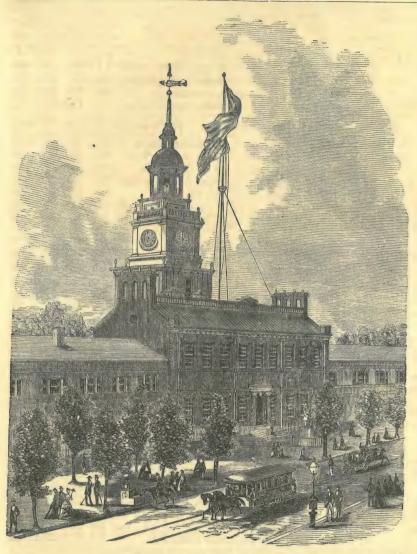
New Moon, 20th, 11 " 50 " Evening.

First Quarter, 27th, 10 " 15 " Evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, warmest days; 6, 7, thunder showers; 8, 9, clear; 10, 11, cloudy; 12, 13, clear; 14, 15, variable; 16, 17, 18, warm: 19, 20, thunder showers; 21, 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, 26, warm; 27, 28, 29, cloudy; 30, rain; 31, clear.

^{*} Great Centennial Independence.



THE OLD STATE HOUSE.

. It stands in Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, and has an interesting history. Built in 1728–1734 by the Colonial Assembly, and used by it till 1799, it was sold in 1818 to Philadelphia.

There, in the lower lefthand room of the main building, met the Continental Congress, which, July 4th, 1776, passed the Declaration of Independence.

The famous "Liberty Bell" was cast for the State House in the year 1753, and upon it were placed the words: "Proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof" (Lev. 25: 10). And this bell, with its iron tongue, started the tidings of liberty throughout the land.

The bell was subsequently broken, when ringing in honor of the arrival of Henry Clay in Philadelphia. It now stands on a pedestal in the hall of the State house.

FRANKLIN'S TOAST.

At a State dinner somewhere, a Frenchman was called on for a toast. He gave this: "France; may she be like the moon, dispelling darkness by her benignant light."

An Englishman was then called on and gave this: "England; may she be like the sun, the joy and strength of the earth."

And then Franklin, as an American, was called on for a toast, and he gave this:

"America; may she be like Joshua, who commanded the sun and moon to stand still, and they obeyed him."

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33] 9th Sunday after Trinity,	Luke 16: 1-9; 1 Cor. 10:	1-13. Day's Length,	13 hours, 42 min.
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34] 10th Sunday after Trinity,	Luke 19: 41-47; Cor. 12:		13 hours, 24 min.
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35] 11th Sunday after Trinity,	Luke 18: 9-14; 1 Cor. 15:		
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(5) Mars is in conjunction with the Sun the 12th of this month, and cannot be seen.
(b) Saturn is in opposition with the Sun the 27th of this month, and shines all night.

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 5th, 1 o'clock, 35 min. Morning.

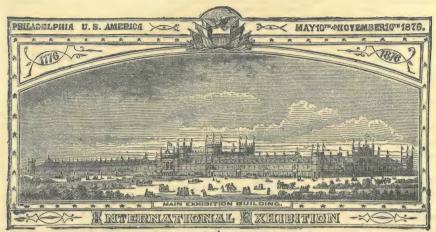
Last Quarter, 12th, 4 " 56 " Afternoon.

New Moon, 19th, 7 " 22 " Morning.

First Quarter, 26th, 1 " 15 " Afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, 8, fair; 9, 10, 11, showers; 12, 13, 14, clear; 15, 16, showers; 17, 18, rain; 19, 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, warm; 24, 25, 26, fair; 27, 28, 29, variable; 30, 31, fair.



THE CENTENNIAL BUILDINGS.

They stand in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

Our nation, being one hundred years old, celebrates the event by holding a grand Centennial and International Exhibition. These buildings, mainly of glass, iron, and stone, cover more than fifty acres of ground.

Here is the "Main Exhibition Building," itself covering over twenty-one acres, one story high, with lovely grounds all around it.

THE "KEYSTONE STATE."

Do you know why Pennsylvania is called "the Keystone State?" Because she decided the great question of American Independence.

question of American Independence.

When the Continental Congress was voting on the Declaration of Independence, the thirteen colonies voted by delegations. Six of them voted for and six against it. These delegations sat right and left of the President, John Hancock. In front of him sat the Pennsylvania delegation

of him sat the Pennsylvania delegation.

When the delegations from all the colonies, except Pennsylvania, had voted, and it was discovered that they were equally divided, John Hancock, perceiving that John Morton, one of the Pennsylvania delegation, was not in his seat, and seemingly aware that the latter held the casting vote in his delegation in favor of the measure, arose and made a speech, urging the Pennsylvania delegation to vote for independence. He continued his exhortation until he saw John Morton enter the hall, and then sat down.

The Pennsylvania delegation stood equally divided upon the great issue, until John Morton gave the casting vote in favor of the Declaration.

Thus John Morton decided the vote of Pennsylvania, and thus Pennsylvania, by giving the casting vote, decided that important question; and from this she received the name of the "Keystone State," the thirteenth State—the block of the Union Arch.

Why was John Morton late in his seat on that occasion? A number of influential persons visited him on that morning, urging him to vote against the Declaration, but they could not prevail.

In the old Épiscopal church-yard, in Chester, Pa., stands a plain, neat monument about twelve feet high, over the remains of John Morton. The inscription says:

"John Morton being censured by some of his friends for his boldness in giving the casting vote for the Declaration of Independence, his prophetic spirit dictated from his death-bed, the following message to them:

"Tell them that they will live to see the hour when they shall acknowledge it to have been the most glorious service that I have ever rendered to my country."

A QUESTION WORTH CONSIDERING.

Are we doing our duty to the Germans who are in this country, and who are still coming? What other Church can so well meet their wants? Methodists and Presbyterians are doing much, with their German Colleges, Seminaries and publications; but they do not understand German life and spirit as we do. How dare we neglect this great work? How can our Church be awakened to a proper interest in it?

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Weeks and Remarkable Days. Daily Bible Moon's Phases, Aspects S. Sun Sun WATER. Remarkable Days.
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36] 12th Sunday after Trinity, Mark 7: 31-37; 2 Cor. 3: 4-11. Day's Length, 12 hours, 50 min.
Sunday 3 Hildegarde Rom. 11: Drises. 3 3d. 6 Dh. h south 15 35 6 25 1 25
Monday 4 Ida "12: 7 24 17 24 sets 9 6 [11 49 15 36 6 24 2 5
Tuesday 5 John Mollio " 13: 7 48 1 Aldebaran rises 10 36 1 5 37 6 23 2 47 Wednesday 6 Martin Weibel " 14: 8 16 16 Sirius rises 2 26 2 5 39 6 21 3 35
Thursday 7 Laz. Spengler " 15: 1-13 8 47 2 1 Rigel rises 11 34. 25 40 6 20 4 24 Friday 8 Corbinian " 15: 14-33 9 33 2 15 \ \mathbf{y} \ \ in Aphelion 25 41 6 19 5 12
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37] 13th Sunday after Trinity, Luke 10: 23-27; Gal. 3: 16-22. Day's Length, 12 hours, 32 min.
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Thursday 14 Cyprian "26: 236 8 6 D 9 rises 2 15 45 49 6 11 10 32
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Saturday 16 Euphemia " 28: 4 54 2 4 D in per. 6 D 8 . 5 rises 5 5 5 2 6 8 12 27
38] 14th Sunday after Trinity, Luke 17: 11-19; Gal. 5: 16-24. Day's Length, 12 hours, 14 min.
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Wednesday 20 Ember Day " 4: 1-17 7 34 3 25 27 sets 8 28 7 5 57 6 3 3 44
Thursday 21 Matthew "4: 18 8 4
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39] 15th Sunday after Trinity, Matth. 6: 24-34; Gal. 5: 25-6: 10. Day's Length, 11 hours, 56 min.
Sunday 24 Jno. Jacob Moser Colos.1: 10 6 12 5 rises 4 15 86 25 58 6 55
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MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 3d day 4 o'clock, 11 min. Afternoon.

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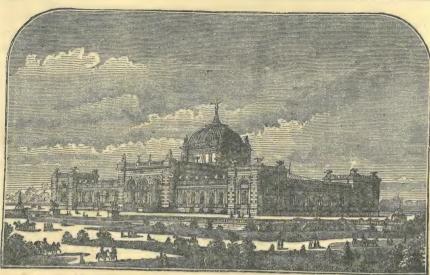
New Moon, 17th " 4 " 52 " Evening.

First Quarter, 25th " 7 " 1 " Morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, showers; 8, 9, 10, warm; 11, 12, thunder; 13, 14, fair; 15, 16, rain; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, variable; 22, 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, 27, stormy; 28, 29, 30, variable.

MAIL ORDERS FOR CARDS, &c., ANSWERED PROMPTLY.



MEMORIAL HALL.

In this magnificent building are exhibited the painting and sculpture of all nations.

It is only about onefourth as large as the "Main" building.

The main entrance is by three doors, each forty feet high, and fifteen feet wide. A dome, one hundred and fifty feet from the ground, rises from the centre, and supports a great bell, on which stands a figure of Columbia with outstretched hands, welcoming all nations to our hospitable shores.

It is called Memorial Hall, because it is to remain, after the Centennial, as a memorial of that great event in our history.

A SEMI-CENTENNIAL ODE.

The following ode, written by the now venerable Wm. C. Bryant, was sung to the tune of Old Hundred by the New York Historical Society, when in 1839 they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the inauguration of Washington as President of the United States:—

Great were the hearts, and strong the minds Of those who framed, in high debate, The immortal league of love that binds Our fair, broad empire, state with state.

And ever hallowed be the hour,
When, as the auspicious task was done,
A nation's gift, the sword of power,
Was given to Glory's unspoiled son.

That noble race is gone; the suns Of fifty years have risen and set; The holy links those mighty ones Had forged and knit, are brighter yet.

Wide—as our own free race increase— Wide shall it stretch the elastic chain, And bind, in everlasting peace, State after state, a mighty train.

HINTS.

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Always take a hint.

If only the Lord would make the weather to suit some people, so they could get to church!

You will find a crooked stick on every woodpile—a kinky member in every congregation.

The Do-Nothings always know best how things ought to be done.

Do not waken your children during the doxology and benediction. Be not in such a hurry.

You expect your minister to toe his mark squarely; are you toeing your own so?

Let your giving be like your praying; but be sure to pray much and earnestly.

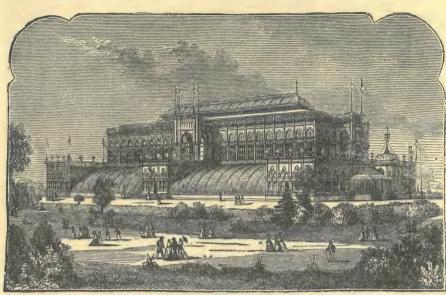
If wealth does not go from you, you will surely go from it. Therefore, lay it up in heaven (Luke 16: 9).

When a man whispers a prayer while another is leading in prayer, it looks as though he thought he could do it better than the leader, and is at it.

One hundred and seven young men are preparing for the Holy Ministry, under the care of the Classes in our six Synods.

In 1874, the Methodist Church built more than three hundred parsonages.

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40] 16th Sunday after Trinity,	Luke 7: 11-17; Eph. 3: 13-21. Day's Length, 11 hours, 38 min.
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41] 17th Sunday after Trinity,	Luke 14: 1-11; Eph. 4: 1-6. Day's Length, 11 hours, 20 min.
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42] 18th Sunday after Trinity	Matth. 22: 34-46; 1 Cor. 1: 4-9. Day's Length, 11 hours, 2 min.
Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday 15 Aurelia 16 Gallus 17 Rv. Edict of Nan 19 Bruno Friday Saturday 19 Bruno Friday Saturday 19 Hilarion	Heb. 1:
43] 19th Sunday after Trinity	
Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 22 Hedwig 23 Henry Martin 24 Arethas 25 John Herz 26 Frederick III. 27 Frumentius 28 Simon and Jud	Heb. 9: 1-14 " 9: 15 " 10: 1-18 " 10: 19-39 " 11: " 12: 12: 12: 12: 12: 12: 12: 12: 13: 14: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15: 15
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HORTICULTURAL HALL.

This beautiful Centennial Building contains the trees, plants, flowers, and shrubbery of every land. What a feast for the eyes!

MEN AND MONEY.

Loud calls are made for Missionary money. We equally need Missionary men. A hundred thousand dollars in hand to-day would be of little account, without one hundred more men. The lack of ministers is a sad fact in our Mission work. Therefore, pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His harvest.

But just here another sad fact meets us. When young men offer themselves for the work, and ask the Church to educate them, often they are turned away with the answer, "We have already as many on hand as the Board of Beneficiary Education can support;" that is, for want of money we cannot get the men.

Is it not a sin and shame that the Church must thus always be hampered in its work? The Lord give both ministers and people a more earnest, willing, working spirit!

What are we in the world for, at least what are we in the Church for, but to spread the Kingdom of Christ?

HAVE YOU A PARSONAGE?

Every charge should have a parsonage. Then the pastor will feel not only more at home, but also more safe.

Renting may often be as cheap as owning a house; but then the pastor may soon have to move, which is both expensive and troublesome, in many ways. He lives in a house, but he has no home.

In a parsonage, however, he is comfortable. As the property belongs to his people, he not only knows he can use it so long as he

is pastor, but he feels an interest in it, and loves to care for it and improve it.

Having a parsonage is more pleasant, not only for the pastor, but also for his people. They know where to find him. They will feel more interest in his home, just because through years it becomes to them a place of sacred associations.

The question may be argued also on the ground of economy. Some charges rent a house for the pastor. In other cases he pays the rent out of his salary; but in either case, the congregation loses just so much money every year. Once, a minister bought a house, his people agreeing to pay him so much extra salary every year. In a few years, he had a home, and the people had paid for it, yet they in the end had no parsonage; and when he left, they bought from him the house which they might for years have owned, if they had taken his advice.

Have a parsonage for your minister. Give him a home. Keep it in good repair. It is a credit to you, and a comfort to him.

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Friday 3 Pirminus "8: 6 26 6 4 5 rises 3 40 16 6 53 5 7 3 6							
Saturday 4 John A. Bengel " 9: 7 10 19 2 stationary 16 6 54 5 6 3 49							
45] 4th Sunday before Advent, Matth. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-14. Day's Length, 10 hours, 10 min.							
Sunday 5 Hans Egede John 21: 1-23 8 20 2 1 2 1 3 5 5 4 35							
Monday 6 Gustav. Adolph's 1 John 1: 2: 9 30 2 sets 5 59 16 6 56 5 4 6 23							
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46] 3d Sunday before Advent, Matth. 24: 15-28; 1 Thess. 4: 13-18. Day's Length, 9 hours, 56 min.							
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47] 2d Sunday before Advent, Matth. 25: 31-46; 2 Thess. 3: 1-10. Day's Length, 9 hours, 42 min.							
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48] 1st Sunday before Advent, Matth. 25: 1-13; 2 Pet. 3: 3-14. Day's Length, 9 hours, 30 min.							
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Tuesday 28 Alex. Roussell "20: 4-15 4 20 26 6 9 8. Fomal so. 6 31 12 7 17 4 43 10 40							
Wednesday 29 Saturninus "21: 1-8 5 22 2 11							
Thursday 30 St. Andrew " 21: 9-22 6 26 26 26 26 26 26							

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 1st, 6 o'clock, 28 min. Evening.
Last Quarter, 8th, 12 " 14 " Afternoon.
New Moon, 15th, 7 " 45 " Evening.
First Quarter, 23d, 11 " 24 " Evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, cloudy; 6, 7, rain; 8, 9, 10, clear; 11, 12, pleasant; 13, 14, 15, rain; 16, 17, 18, variable; 19, 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, cloudy, with rain and snow; 24, 25, clear, cold; 26, 27, 28, moderate; 29, 30, fair.

CALL AND SEE OUR HOLIDAY GOODS NOW OPENING.



A FOREIGN MISSION HOUSE.

THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

On the 7th of June, 1776, in the Continental Congress, which met in the Old State House in Philadelphia, Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia, offered his celebrated resolution, which was afterward embodied in the Declaration:—Resolved, That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown; and that all political connexion between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved."

On the 11th of June, 1776, Congress appointed a Committee to prepare a Declaration of Independence: Jefferson, Adams, Franklin, Sherman, nd Livingston.

"The Committee," says John Quincy Adams in his autobiography, "held several meetings, in which were proposed the articles of which the Declaration was to consist, and minutes were made of them." Jefferson and Adams were then appointed a sub-committee to draw up the Declaration in proper form.

Mr. Jefferson made the draft and submitted it first to Mr. Adams and Dr. Franklin, who suggested but two or three valuable amendments. It then went before the whole Committee and was approved without amendment. But Mr. Livingston, of New York, did not sign it when Congress had passed it. It was then submitted to Congress

and laid on the table. July 1st the resolution declaring independence was taken up, and debated. The resolution was adopted July 2d. The "Declaration" as reported by the Committee was then taken up and debated three days, the 2d, 3d and 4th of July. It was adopted on the evening of the Fourth.

The ideas of the Declaration were not original with Jefferson. He simply gave definite shape and full expression to sentiments that long had been in the

public mind. Parton says:

"Mr. Jefferson used to relate, with much merriment, that the final signing of the Declaration of Independence was hastened by an absurdly trivial cause.

Near the State House was a livery stable, from which came swarms of flies assailing the silk stockinged legs of the members. Handkerchief in hand they lashed the flies with vigor, but the annoyance became at length so extreme as to render them impatient at delay, and they made haste to bring the momentous business to a conclusion. After such a long and severe strain upon their minds, members seemed to have indulged in many a jocular observation as they stood around the table."

Tradition has it that when John Hancock had affixed his magnificent signature to the paper, he said: "There, John Bull may read my name without spectacles!"

When Mr. Hancock reminded the members of the necessity of hanging together, Dr. Franklin said, "Yes, we must indeed hang together, or else, assuredly we shall all hang separately."

And this may have suggested to the portly Harrison—"a luxurious, heavy gentleman," as John Adams describes him—his remark to slender Elbridge Gerry, that when the hanging came he would have the advantage, for poor Gerry would be kicking in the air long after it was over with himself.

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(24) Jupiter is in conjunction with the Sun on the 4th of this Month, and cannot be seen.						
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Last Quarter, New Moon, 1	7th, 9 " 22 " I	Evening. Afternoon.				15, 16, variable; 17,
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THE ANGELS' CHRISTMAS SONG.

"Trooping through heaven's gate they came,
On that blessed morn,
Many hundred years ago
When our Lord was born.

Ne'er before had angel choir Sung to mortal ears; And that glorious Christmas song Rings through endless years.

Let us join the angel host
On this blessed morn;
Let us sing with joyful hearts,
'Christ the Lord is born.'"

LEGACIES FOR THE CHURCH,

1.) The best way to give a large sum to the Church, that is, to her Colleges, Seminaries, or Boards, is to do so while living. Then you are sure that the Church gets it.

2.) But some persons cannot do this. They must have the money for their support or some other purpose, till death. They can leave it to the Church by will. But in many cases the will is wrongly, or at least doubtfully, worded, and so the Court sets aside the will, and the Church gets nothing. Not only is the Church wronged, but, alas! the godly wish of the giver is wronged.

Yet is it not his own fault? Perhaps, he has allowed some one to write the will who knows or cares nothing about our government, the names of our Institutions and Boards, and the phraseology of our Church; and so the will is doubtful or even incorrect in its wording, and trouble follows.

3.) To make sure that your will is right, for a legacy to the Church, use a form of words which is definite and particular, stating (1) how much shall be paid, (2) when, (3) to whom, that is, to the Treasurer of what Board or Institution, (4) for what purpose.

4.) Be very careful, however, not to burden your legacy with conditions, as to how, when and where the legacy is to be used. The Church knows best how to manage its funds; and good people often spoil the usefulness of their legacy by the conditions that embarrass it. Indeed in some cases the legacy is altogether lost, just because the conditions are such that the Church cannot fulfill them.



HISTORICAL ITEMS.

An abstract of Civil and Church History of the Century would be both interesting and profitable; but space allows us to give only the leading items in the history of our own Church in the United States.

1.) In 1730, we had in this country about 15,000 members, but only a few congregations.

2.) Our first Church was built in 1726, at Skippack, in what is now Montgomery County, twenty-

four miles from Philadelphia.

3.) In 1746, when Rev. Michael Schlatter came to this country, he found about forty-six congregations, and only about half a dozen ministers, of the German Reformed Church.

4.) The first Synod, then called Coetus, was organized in Philadelphia (which then had only 10,000 inhabitants!), Sept. 29th, 1747. Only four

ministers were present, and twenty-seven elders.
5.) In 1751, Schlatter visited Holland and Switzerland, to get aid for the feeble churches in America. He returned in about eighteen months with six ministers, and some money.

6.) In 1776, the Synod met in Lancaster, Pa. Eleven ministers were present, and twelve absent.

7.) The first Reformed Catechism was published

in this country in 1790.

- 8.) In 1793, the Coetus or Synod, now fortysix years old, declared itself independent of the mother Synod of Holland (to which it had always been subject, and from which it had always received its authority, advice, men and money), by adopting its own first Constitution.
- 9.) In 1810, the "Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows" was incorporated, though in existence perhaps twenty-five years before.
- 10.) In 1817, Synod began to publish its minutes in German. In 1825, also in English.
- II.) The old Synod of our Church was divided into Classes in 1819.
- 12.) In 1822, the "Independent" Synod was organized in East Pennsylvania. In 1836, its ministers again entered the old Synod.
- 13.) In 1825, seventy-eight years after the organization of the original Synod, the Synod opened its first Theological Seminary, at Carlisle, Pa., with five students. In 1829, the Seminary was removed to York, Pa.; in 1837, to Mercersburg, Pa.; and in 1871, to Lancaster, Pa.

14.) In 1827, the "Magazine of the German Reformed Church" (now called the Reformed Church Messenger), was first published as a monthly.

15.) In 1829, Synod constituted the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, a Board of

Beneficiary Education.

16.) In 1830, our present English Hymn Book

was published.

17.) In 1832, the Board of Home Missions was

organized.

18.) In 1836, our first College, Marshall College, at Mercersburg, Pa., was chartered by the Legislature.

19.) The present edition of the Heidelberg

Catechism began to be published in 1840.

20.) In 1842, was published Rev. Dr. J. W. Nevin's "History and Genius of the Heidelberg Catechism"; in 1843, his "Anxious Bench"; and in 1846, his "Mystical Presence."

21.) In 1844, was organized our first Board of

Publication, which in 1864 was reorganized.

22.) The old Constitution of 1793 was set aside by another in 1828, and this gave way to the present one in 1846.

23.) In 1849, Rev. Dr. Harbaugh began to

publish his works on the Future Life.

24.) In 1853, Marshall College was removed to Lancaster, Pa., and united with Franklin College.

25.) In 1863, our first Orphan Home was opened at Bridesburg, Pa. (now at Womelsdorf, Pa.); in 1867, another at Butler, Pa.

26.) In 1863, the Church celebrated the threehundredth anniversary of the Heidelberg Catechism. A free-will offering of \$108,000 was given by the Church.

27.) In 1864, soon after the burning of the Printing Establishment in Chambersburg by the Confederate Army, our Publication Board removed to Philadelphia, Pa.

28.) In 1865, the name of our Sunday-school paper was changed from "The Pastor's Helper

to "The Child's Treasury."

29.) In 1867, the noted "Myerstown Convention" was held in Myerstown, Pa.

30.) In 1869, the word "German" was dropped from our Church title.

31.) Our Liturgies were published as follows: the Mayer Liturgy, in 1841; the Provisional Liturgy, in 1857; the Eastern Order of Worship, in 1866; the Western Liturgy, in 1869; and the German Translation of the Eastern Order of Worship, in 1873.

32.) For a list of our Periodicals and the date of their origin, see the tabular statement in this

Almanac.

33. Our Synods were organized as follows: the Eastern, or Mother Synod, 1747; Ohio Synod, 1824; North Western, 1867; Pittsburgh, 1870; Potomac, 1873; Eastern German Synod, 1875. The General Synod was organized in 1863.

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34.) Our Almanacs. The first published by our Church was at Cleveland, Ohio. In 1864, the Eastern Board published the first one of this English series; and in 1872, the first of a German series. In 1873, the Western Board published

their first English almanac.

35.) The increase in the number of our ministers is wonderful. In 1747, we had 6; in 1791, 17; in 1800, 31; in 1809, 37; in 1817, 47; in 1820, 60; in 1830, 99; in 1840, 172; in 1850, 280; in 1860, 391; in 1870, 548; in 1876, 623.

36.) The increase of communicant membership

36.) The increase of communicant membership is equally encouraging. In 1817, we had 11,000. In 1857, i.e. forty years after, we had 51,000. In

1876, we have 116,363.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

Though your preparation of heart and mind is the main thing, yet several smaller matters should also receive careful attention.

1.) Do not crowd the table. This, for several

plain reasons, is improper.

2.) Stand near the chancel-railing, so as to be within easy reach of the elements.

3.) Come forward, not hurriedly, but yet

promptly, and without delay.

4.) Take the cup into your own hand, as well as the bread. (Some make the minister put the cup to their lips.)

5.) Receive and give back the cup calmly and firmly, not with that quick, hurried, nervous movement which endangers the wine.

6.) Never go home before the Communion service has ended. Dinner and friends can wait.

7.) Do not fold, especially do not crumple, your alms, and the paper on which your name is written. It only makes needless trouble.

8.) If possible, always attend the Preparatory service; and when hindered always read the Preparatory service, carefully and reverently, at home.

9.) If not able to receive the Lord's Supper, nevertheless, send in your alms. It will do you good in several ways.

Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the United States, from the Adoption of the Constitution to the Present time.

No.	PRESIDENTS.	Residence.	Born		Died.	Age	VICE-PRESIDENTS.	Instal- led into
I	GEORGE WASHINGTON	Virginia	1732	office 8	Dec. 14, 1799	death 68	JOHN ADAMS	1780
3	GEORGE WASHINGTON	Mass	TTOE	1	July 4, 1826	91	JOHN ADAMS THOMAS JEFFERSON	1793
.51	THOMAS JEFFERSON				July 4, 1826		AARON BURRGeorge C. CLINTON	1805
7	JAMES MADISON				June 28, 1836 July 4, 1831		GEORGE C. CLINTON† ELBRIDGE GERRY†	1813
9	JAMES MONROE JOHN Q. ADAMS	Mass			Feb. 23, 1848		DANIEL D. TOMPKINS. DANIEL D. TOMPKINS. JOHN C. CALHOUN.	182T
11	ANDREW JACKSON	Tenn	1767	8	Tune 8 TRAF	78	JOHN C. CALHOUN M. VAN BUREN	1820
14	WM. H. HARRISON*	N. York	1782	4	July 24, 1862 April 4, 1841	79 68	RICHARD M. JOHNSON JOHN TYLER	1837
15	John Tyler James K. Polk Zachary Taylor*	Tenn	TTOE	4	Jan. 17, 1862 June 15, 1849	72 54	GEORGE M. DALLAS	1841
- 1	MILLARD FILLMORE	N. Vork	T800	3			MILLARD FILLMORE	T848
18	JAMES BUCHANANABRAHAM LINCOLN	Penn	TTOT	A	June 1, 1868 April 15, 1865	77	WILLIAM R. KING† JOHN C. BRECKENRIDGE	1853
20	ANDREW JOHNSON	Tenn	1808		July of 1875	6T		1861
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*Died in office, and was succeeded by the Vice-President.

†Died in office.

OUR POSTAL SYSTEM.

Nothing can give us a better idea of our national growth, than the following bird's eye view of the growth of our Postal System.

Year.	Number of Post Offices.	Income of the Department.	Expenditures of the Department.	Length of Post-Roads.
1790	75	\$37,935	\$32,140	1,875
1800	903	280,804	231,904	20,817
1810	2,300	551,684	495,969	36,070
1820	4,500	1,111,927	1,160,926	72,492
1830	8,450	1,919,300	1,959,109	115,176
1840	13,486	4,543,522	4,718,325	155,739
1850	18,417	5,499,987	5,212,953	178,672
1860	28,498	9,218,067	14,874,773	240,594
1870	28,492	19,772,220	23,998,837	231,232

POSTAGE LAWS.

Postal Cards, are one cent each.

Letters, to any part of the United States, 3 cents per ½ oz. or fraction thereof; forwarded to another post-office without charge, on request of the person addressed; if not called for, returned to the writer free, if so endorsed.

Unpaid letters are sent to the Dead Letter Office, at Washington.

Letters weighing over half an ounce, and prepaid a single rate, are

forwarded to their destination, and the balance due collected on delivery Drop, or local letters, 1 cent per ½ oz. or fraction thereof. At offices of free delivery, 2 cents.

Newspapers, and all periodicals sent from the office of publication, must be prepaid by the publisher. Weekly Newspapers are free in the county where issued, except when distributed by letter-carriers.

Miscellaneous matter, such as, unsealed circulars, maps, prints, engravings, music, cards, photographs, types, cuttings, roots, seeds, occasional publications, transient newspapers, magazines, propectuses, books, book-manuscript, proof-sheets, corrected proof-sheets, patterns, samples of merchandise, &c.——is sent at the rate of one cent per ounce or fraction thereof.

Foreign postage is 5 cents per ½ oz., on letters, aud 2 cents per 4 oz., on newspapers, to Germany, Austria, Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, Egypt, Spain, Greece, Italy, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey. To other countries not belonging to the General Postal Union, various rates are charged.

Unmailable articles, are: liquids, poisons, glass, explosive chemicals, live animals, pointed instruments, sugar, or any other matter liable to deface or destroy the contents of the mail, or to injure those in the service. Also all indecent publications and writings.

Money can be sent to any part of the country with absolute safety, by obtaining a Money Order The fees are: On \$15 or less, 10 cents; over \$15 and not exceeding \$30, 15 cents; over \$30 and not exceeding \$40, 20 cents; over \$40 and not exceeding \$50, 25 cents.

N. B. No order is issued for a larger sum than \$50.

Registered letters cost ten cents extra, beside the regular postage. Packages sent by mail are limited to four pounds, except books published or circulated by order of Congress.

MARYLAND CLASSIS.

This table, giving the time and place of meeting and the Presidents of Maryland Classis, was prepared by Elder John Rodenmayer, of Baltimore, Md.

NOTE.—The Stated Clerk in 1820, was Rev. Albert Helffenstein; in 1821, Rev. James R. Reily; in 1822, Rev. Jacob Geiger; in 1823, Rev. David Bossler; in 1824, Rev. James R. Reily; in 1825, Rev. S. K. Denius; in 1826, Rev. Samuel Helffenstein; in 1827, Rev. Jacob Helffenstein; in 1828, Rev. Martin Bruner; in 1829, Rev. Jacob Geiger; in 1830, Rev. John C. Bucher; in 1831, Rev. John H. Smaltz; in 1832, Rev. Albert Helffenstein; in 1833, Rev. G. W. Glessner; in 1834, Rev. Wm. A. Good; from 1835 to 1841, Rev. John W. Hoffmeier; from 1842 to 1867, Rev. Wm. F. Colliflower; from 1868 to 1875, Rev. Simon S. Miller.

PLACE AND TIME OF ME	PRESIDENT.			
Mor	1st, 1820.	Rev. William Runkel.		
Frederick, MdMay	20th, 1821.	" John Braun, D. D.		
	5th, 1822.	" Jonath'n Helffenstein.		
	25th, 1823.	" Albert Helffenstein.		
Emmittsburg, "" Martinsburg, VaJune Uniontown, MdMay	13th, 1824.	" F. A. Scholl.		
Martinsburg, va	26th, 1825.	" Jacob Geiger.		
Uniontown, Mdmay	20th, 1826.	" S. K. Denius.		
Greencasue, Fa	10th, 1827.	" F. A. Scholl.		
	1st, 1828.	" Samuel Helffenstein.		
Wianchester,	14th, 1829.	" Martin Bruner.		
Suepherustown, rammer	23d, 1830.	" Jacob Geiger.		
Emmittsburg, MdMay	1st, 1831.	" John C. Bucher, D.D.		
Middletown, Md	7th, 1832.	" D. Graves.		
	5th, 1833.	" Albert Helffenstein.		
Sharpsburg, Md	4th, 1834.	" John Rebaugh.		
Waynesboro, Pa	18th, 1835	" J. F. Diffenbacher.		
Shepherdstown, Va2d Sat. in	May. 1836.	" J. C. Bucher, D.D.		
Manahastar Md	17th, 1837.	" R. Douglas.		
Manchester, Md	Sun . 1838.	" G. W. Glessner.		
Emmittsburg, MdMay	18th, 1839.	" Elias Heiner, D.D.		
Clearanning Md	16th, 1840.	" R. Douglas.		
Clearspring, Md	15th, 1841.	" D. Zacharias, D.D.		
	13th, 1842.	" J. C. Bucher, D.D.		
Westminster, Md	19th, 1843.	" A. P. Freese.		
Martinsburg, Va	17th, 1844.	" G. W. Williard, D.D.		
Frederick, Md	17th, 1845.	" William Philips,		
Manchester, Md	16th, 1846.	" M. Kieffer, D.D.		
Burkittsville, Md "	14th, 1847.	" Isaac Gerhart.		
	19th, 1848.	" B. C. Wolff, D.D.		
Sharpsburg, Md " Funkstown, Md "	18th, 1849.	" S. N. Callender, D.D.		
Emmittsburg, Md	19th, 1850.	" D. Zacharias, D. D.		
Middletown, Md	16th, 1851.	" Elias Heiner, D.D.		
Hagerstown, Md	14th, 1852.	" C. F. McCauley, D.D.		
Manchester, Md "	16th, 1853.	" M. L. Shuford.		
Taneytown, Md "	19th, 1854.	" G.W. Aughinbaugh, D.D.		
Baltimore, Md "	18th, 1855.	" W. F. Colliflower.		
Jefferson, Md "	16th, 18-6.	" J. W. Santee, D.D.		
Frederick, Md "	15th, 1857.	" A. P. Freese.		
Hagerstown, Md	14th, 1853.	" D. Zacharias, D.D.		
Clearspring, Md	13th, 1859.	" G. W. Glessner.		
Sharpsburg, Md "	18th, 1860.	" Elias Heiner, D.D.		
Middletown, Md "	24th, 1861.	" J. S. Foulk,		
Jefferson, Md "	16th, 1862.	" D. Zacharias, D.D.		
Manchester, Md "	15th, 1863.	" M. L. Shuford.		
Boonsboro', Md "	6th, 1864.	" J. G. Fritchey.		
Burkittsville, MdJune	9th, 1865.	" R. Douglas.		
Baltimore, MdMay	25th, 1866.	" F. A. Rupley.		
Emmittsburg, Md	24th, 1867.	" E. R. Eschbach.		
Middletown, Md	· 22d, 1868.	" J. M. Titzel.		
Frederick, MdApril		" William Goodrich		
Westminster, MdMay	19th, 1870.	". J. W. Santee, D.D.		
Baltimore, MdJune	1st, 1871.	" J. S. Kieffer.		
Clearspring, MdMay	23d, 1872.	" Geo. L. Staley, D.D.		
Boonsboro', Md "	15th, 1873.	" W. C. Cremer.		
Manchester, MdJune	4th, 1 74.	" D. Gans, D.D.		
Hagerstown, MdApril	29th, 1875.	" A. R. Kremer.		

MEETING OF THE CLASSES

OF THE SYNOD OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH, AND THE SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.
EAST PENNSYLVANIA LEBANON PHILADELPHIA MERCERSBURG MARYLAND ALLEGHENY SAN FRANCISCO VIRGINIA WEST SUSQUEHANNA GOSHENHOPPEN TOHICKON LANCASTER WESTMORELAND NEW YORK EAST SUSQUEHANNA ST. PAUL'S CLARION SOMERSET ZION'S NORTH CAROLINA	Millersville, Berks County, Pa Schuylkill Haven, Pa Heidelberg Church, Philadelphia. Greencastle, Franklin County, Pa Westminster, Maryland. Butler, Harmony County, Pa San Francisco, Cal. Near Rinkerton, Shenandoah County, Va Jacksonville, Centre County, Pa New Goshenhoppen, Pa Richlandtown, Bucks County, Pa New Holland, Lancaster County, Pa Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland County, Pa New York City. Mahanoy Charge, Northumberland County, Pa South Bend Charge, Clarion County, Pa South Bend Charge, Clarion County, Pa Levansville, Somerset County, Pa Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pa "Brick Church," Guilford County, N. C	May 26th, 1876. May 17th, 1876. May 15th, 1876. May 19th, 1876. June 9th, 1876. June 9th, 1876. June 15th, 1876. June 15th, 1876. June 15th, 1876. June 13th, 1876. June 13th, 1876. June 7th, 1876. June 7th, 1876. June 8th, 1876. June 8th, 1876. May 25th, 1876. May 19th, 1876.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

SYNODS.	Classes.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	Members Unconfirmed.	Baptisms,	Confirmations.	Received by Certificate.	Communed during the year.	Excommu- nicated.	Dismissed.	Deaths.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday School Scholars.	Students for the Ministry.	Benevolent Contributions.
United States Ohio North-West Pittsburg Potomac. Eastern German	13 8 5 6	103	341 176 122 247	23,345 14,070 9,864	11,976 11,257 8,943 16,046	2,095 1,603 972 1,617	1,514 1,113 711 1,270	718 388 369	18,891	240 114 7 2	294 336		246 140 73 217	17,289 5,679 4,578 12,387	16	8,887.44 13,462.40 11,416.09
Total, 6 Synods	44	623	1,341	142,118	87,676	13,607	8,766	3,733	116,363	387	1,798	4,507	1,148	72,205	107	\$89,067.14

ORPHAN HOMES OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U.S.

LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF ORPHANS.
Womelsdorf, Berks County, Pa Butler, Butler County, Pa	Rev. D. B. Albright	74 45

DEATHS OF MINISTERS FROM SEPTEMBER 1st, 1874, TO SEPTEMBER 1st, 1875.

NAMES.	LICENSED.	ORDAINED.	PLACE OF DEATH.	TIME OF DEATH.	AGE.
CHARLES ZWISLER JOHN GEORGE KISSEL	Sept., 1825	Sept. 29th, 1825	Canfield, Ohio	Sept. 19th, 1874	71 67
JOHN S. EBAUGH		Sept. 9th, 1818	New York	" 29th, 1874	81
CHRISTIAN WEILER HENRY ERNEST FRED'K VOIGT.		Germany	Mt. Pleasant, Pa	" 14th, 1875	90
JESSE SCHLOSSER	May, 1856		Fairview, Pa	" 16th. "	46
PHILIP ZEISERJOHN W. LESCHER		Sept. 14th, 1824	New Hamburg, Pa Millersburg, Pa	" 25th, "	73 58
JOHN ZUILCH AMOS F. ZARTMAN	Sept., 1816	Sept. 3d, 1816	Steinsville, Pa	Feb. 3d, 1875	80
DAVID BOSSLER	Oct. 4th, 1821	Oct. 4th, 1821	York, Pa	May 14th, 1875	76
JACOB BURKHOLDERHENRY HESS			Mansfield, Ohio	" 18th, "	52 65

PERIODICALS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U.S.

NAME.	WHERE PUBLISHED.	HOW OFTEN ISSUED.	WHEN FIRST ISSUED.
English.—			
Reformed Church Messenger	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa	Weekly	1827
Christian World	176 Elm Street, Cincinnati, Ohio	16	1848
Reformed Missionary	Vinton, Benton Co., Iowa	Monthly	1860
The Guardian	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa	***************************************	1850
Child's Treasury	11 11 11 11 11	Semi-monthly	1859
Mercersburg Review	" " " " " "	Quarterly	1849
	East End, Pittsburg, Pa		
Reformed Church Herald	Bethlehem, Pa	Monthly	1873
College Days	Lancaster, Pa	46	1873
Heidelberg Teacher	176 Elm Street, Cincinnati, Ohio	*************	1873
leaves of Light	***************************************	Semi-monthly	10/3
College Times	Tiffin, Ohio	Monthly	1873
German.—			
Kirchenzeitung und Evangelist	Cleveland, Ohio	Weekly	1838
Reformirte Hausfreund	Reading, Pa	Every other week	1866
Der Lämmerhirte	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa	Monthly	1859
Morgen-Stern	Cleveland, Ohio	***************************************	1863

LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U.S.

NAME.	LOCATION.	PRESIDENTS.
Franklin and Marshall College	Lancaster, Pa	JOHN W. NEVIN, D.D., LL. D. GEO, W. WILLIARD, D.D.
Catawba College	Newtown, N. C	REV. J. C. CLAPP, A. M. E. E. HIGBEE, D. D.
Clarion Collegiate Institute	Rimersburg, Clarion Co., Pa Meyerstown, Lebanon County, Pa	REV. I. I. PENNEPACKER, A. M.
Greenshurg Female Collegiate Institute	Greensburg, Pa Collegeville, Montgomery County, Pa	REV. LUCIAN CORT, A. M.
Calvin Institute	Cleveland, Ohio	REV. F. FORWICK.
Shelby College	Shelbyville, Illinois Lancaster, Pa.	E. V. GERHART, D. D.
	Tiffin, Ohio	J. H. GOOD, D. D. J. BOSSARD, D. D.
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